



The Problem

- 1.2 million uninsured
- 15,000 new Medicaid patients every month



The Process

- SML appoints task force (George, Allen, Jansen, Barcia)
- All stakeholders at the table
- Meetings around the state (Muskegon, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Petoskey)
- Meetings in Lansing



The Solution

- MI Health
 - A four-part measure to make health insurance accessible and affordable
 - Builds on the discussion started last year related to individual market reform
 - Leverages federal dollars to cover some of our uninsured



Consumer Protections

- Protects consumers from getting dropped if they get sick
- Creates language regulating rescission
- Creates language related to closing books of business
- Creates a uniform six-month waiting period for pre-existing conditions



Covers the Difficult to Insure

- Re-insurance mechanism partially relieves Blue Cross Blue Shield of its burden
- BCBSM remains non-profit carrier of last resort
- Re-insurance mechanism activated for claims exceeding \$25,000/year



Leverages Federal Dollars

- Assesses Blue Cross a PILT (payment in lieu of taxes)
- Creates an assessment on all claims paid by all insurance companies in Michigan
- Increases the hospital QAAP (Quality Assurance Assessment Program)



Two Programs to Expand Coverage for the Uninsured

- **MI Access** expands access to health coverage for non-Medicaid-eligible individuals making up to 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
- **MI Coverage** creates a subsidized program for the working uninsured—those making between 200 and 300 percent of FPL



Who contributes?

- Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
- Commercial insurance companies
- Health maintenance organizations (HMOs)
- Hospitals
- Physicians



Who benefits?

- Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
- Commercial insurance companies
- HMOs
- Hospitals
- Physicians
- And ...



Who benefits?

**The people
of Michigan!**

